

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTALPATENTApplication No.: 09/891,849Filing Date: June 25, 2001First Named Inventor Steven Verhaverbeke et al.Examiner's Name: Markoff, AlexanderArt Unit: 1746Attorney Docket No.: 4711 USA/P01/W-C/W-C/JB1 An Amendment After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) is attached and applicant(s) request expedited action. Charge any fee not covered by any check submitted to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Applicant(s) hereby request and authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to (1) treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and (2) charge all required fees, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, for any concurrent or future reply to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).ATTACHMENTS Preliminary Amendment Amendment/Response with respect to Office Action Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (reminder: consider filing a Notice of Appeal) Notice of Appeal RCE (Request for Continued Examination) Supplemental Declaration Terminal Disclaimer (reminder: if executed by an attorney, the attorney must be properly of record) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Copies of IDS citations Petition for Extension of Time Fee Transmittal Document (that includes a fee calculation based on the type and number of claims) Cross-Reference to Related Application(s) Certified Copy of Priority Document Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Check(s) Postcard (Return Receipt)SUBMITTED BY:

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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